

SENATE RECORD VOTE ANALYSIS

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FURTHER CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS/Passage

SUBJECT: A resolution to provide further continuing appropriations for fiscal year 1996 . . . H.J. Res. 170. Passage.

ACTION: JOINT RESOLUTION PASSED, 64-24

SYNOPSIS: As introduced and passed, H.J. Res. 170 will make further continuing appropriations for the remainder of the fiscal year for the District of Columbia's appropriations bill (though other provisions of the District's bill will not yet be passed), and will provide further continuing appropriations until April 24 for the other four appropriations bills which have not yet been signed into law (Commerce-Justice-State-Judiciary, Labor-Health and Human Services, Interior, and Veterans Affairs-Housing and Urban Development). Additionally, the resolution will provide \$200 million for reconstruction assistance in Bosnia. Finally, the resolution will provide that Federal Aviation Administration labor representatives will retain their statutory role.

Those favoring passage contended:

We are disappointed at the need to have to pass yet another continuing resolution, but we know also that no Senator needs to be reminded that the appropriations process has been especially contentious for fiscal year 1996. Nevertheless, it does appear as though a final agreement is within reach. A bipartisan compromise is being crafted in conference, and many issues have been fully resolved. Unfortunately, the conferees need more time to resolve the remaining issues. We are not willing to cancel the Easter recess to give them that time, nor is the House. The conference agreement will have to be completed upon Congress' return. We therefore urge the adoption of this continuing resolution.

Those opposing passage contended:

The funding levels in this concurrent resolution are too low, as they were in previous resolutions. Needed government education, environment, law enforcement, and other programs are being crippled by the low levels of funding. We should not be in this position.

(See other side)

YEAS (64)			NAYS (24)		NOT VOTING (12)	
Republicans (44 or 98%)	Democrats (20 or 47%)		Republicans (1 or 2%)	Democrats (23 or 53%)	Republicans (8)	Democrats (4)
Abraham	Hatch	Baucus	Faircloth	Akaka	D'Amato ⁻²	Bumpers ⁻²
Ashcroft	Hatfield	Bradley		Biden	Helms ⁻²	Leahy ⁻²
Bennett	Hutchison	Breaux		Bingaman	Inhofe ⁻²	Moynihan ⁻²
Bond	Jeffords	Byrd		Boxer	Kassebaum ⁻²	Rockefeller ⁻²
Brown	Kempthorne	Exon		Bryan	Mack ⁻²	
Burns	Kyl	Feingold		Conrad	McConnell ⁻²	
Campbell	Lott	Feinstein		Daschle	Simpson ⁻²	
Chafee	Lugar	Ford		Dodd	Stevens ⁻²	
Coats	McCain	Graham		Dorgan		
Cochran	Murkowski	Heflin		Glenn		
Cohen	Nickles	Inouye		Harkin		
Coverdell	Pressler	Johnston		Hollings		
Craig	Roth	Kohl		Kennedy		
DeWine	Santorum	Lieberman		Kerrey		
Dole	Shelby	Mikulski		Kerry		
Domenici	Smith	Nunn		Lautenberg		
Frist	Snowe	Pell		Levin		
Gorton	Specter	Robb		Moseley-Braun		
Gramm	Thomas	Sarbanes		Murray		
Grams	Thompson	Simon		Pryor		
Grassley	Thurmond			Reid		
Gregg	Warner			Wellstone		
				Wyden		

EXPLANATION OF ABSENCE:

- 1—Official Business
- 2—Necessarily Absent
- 3—Illness
- 4—Other

SYMBOLS:

- AY—Announced Yea
- AN—Announced Nay
- PY—Paired Yea
- PN—Paired Nay

An omnibus funding resolution was approved by the Senate more than a week ago, and by now a conference agreement should have been reached. Unfortunately, conferees did not even meet until 2 days ago, and they have yet to work out their differences. Now our Republican colleagues want us to pass this inadequate spending bill and then to leave on a 2-week vacation. We should not. We should stay here a few more days and complete, on a bipartisan basis, the conference on the omnibus bill. We should not leave town until that bill is enacted. We therefore oppose passage of this stop-gap measure.